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SUBJECT: THREE PERUVIAN MINISTERS TRAVELING TO ASIA AND EUROPE

REFS: A) LIMA 4896 (NOTAL), B) CAIRO 6791 (NOTAL)

1. LIMA PRESS ON JULY 10 ANNOUNCED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER MIGUEL ANGEL DE LA FLOR VALLE, MINES AND ENERGY MINISTER GEN. JORGE FERNANDEZ MALDONADO SOLARI, AND COMMERCE MINISTER MAJOR GENERAL LUIS ARIAS GRAZIANI WILL BE TRAVELING TO JAPAN, USSR, SWEDEN, EGYPT, AND ALGERIA, AS WELL AS TO OTHER UNSPECIFIED EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. MINISTERS LEAVE PERU AT MIDNIGHT ON JULY 10 FOR THE PURPOSE OF "DEALING WITH MATTERS OF TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND FOREIGN TRADE," ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT DOES NOT CONTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING LENGTH OF TRIP.

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2. COMMENT: VICE MINISTER OF TRADE AND TOURISM CONFIRMED TO US TODAY THAT PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THE TRIP IS TO SEEK MARKETS FOR PERUVIAN MINERALS, BUT DID NOT GO INTO DETAIL. SWEDISH CHARGE INFORMED US THAT THE TRIP TO SWEDEN WAS PROPOSED TO THE SWEDES TWO DAYS

AGO AND THAT FOREIGN MINISTER DE LA FLOR WILL NOT TRAVEL THERE. SIMILARLY, DUTCH POLITICAL OFFICER TOLD US THAT HIS EMBASSY WAS INFORMED ON VERY SHORT NOTICE ABOUT REQUEST FOR VISIT TO HOLLAND AND THAT DE LA FLOR IS NOT INCLUDED. BOTH OFFICIALS SAID THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP IS TO SELL MINERALS AND TO DISCUSS BILATERAL COMMERCIAL QUESTIONS (IRON ORE, IN THE CASE OF HOLLAND). TEAM IS TO BE IN SWEDEN JULY 18-22 AND HOLLAND JULY 23-24. TEAM MAY ALSO SPEND JULY 22-23 IN THE FRG. OTHER SOURCES TELL US THAT THE TEAM WILL FIRST TRAVEL TO JAPAN, THEN TO USSR, FOLLOWED BY WESTERN EUROPE AND/OR NORTH AFRICA.

3. LOCAL PRESS REPORTED DE LA FLOR WILL MAKE SWING THROUGH EGYPT AND ALGERIA TO PREPARE FOR LIMA NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE NEXT MONTH (REF B). VISIT TO JAPAN MAY RELATE TO INFORMATION REPORTED (REF A) THAT THE PERUVIANS WISH TO DISCUSS MARCONA ISSUE, BUT COULD ALSO INCLUDE TOPICS OF PERUVIAN PETROLEUM, AND VARIOUS MINING PROJECTS IN WHICH JAPAN HAS AN INTEREST HERE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ADDRESSEE POSTS REPORTING ON SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF TRIP.

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